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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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Appl. No. 10/040,087

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For: Method and Apparatus for High Speed  
Implementation of Data Encryption and  
Decryption Utilizing, E.G., Rijndael or Its  
Subset AES, or Other Encryption/  
Decryption Algorithms Having Similar Key  
Expansion Data Flow

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**Response to Office Action**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2005 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following remarks into the file of the present application. With this office action response is enclosed a Petition for Extension of Time, extending the period of response by three (3) months, from March 13, 2006 up to and including June 13, 2006, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 40 of this paper.